

**RAIL OWNERS PRESENT
THEIR SIDE OF CASE**

Chicago, April, 20.—Setting a whirlwind pace, more than thirty railroads laid their pleas for wage reductions before the labor board today in the final days presentation of the carrier's evidence. The board then adjourned until April 28th, to allow the employees time in which to prepare their reply.

Predictions of receiverships and bankruptcies interspersed exhibit after exhibit introduced by the roads to show decreases in outside industry wages and the cost of living since the present railroad wage scale was made effective. All of the roads took the same position as that expressed by W. G. Bied of the Chicago and Alton, the last witness.

"The wage decision of July, 1920, as I understand it, was based almost entirely on the increased cost of living," Mr. Bied said. "If that is correct, we feel fully justified in asking a decrease in these rates of pay, first on the grounds of absolute necessity, second, because the reason for creating the present rate has been removed, and third, because other industries have reduced their wages."

The board was flooded with another mass of figures today as roads from the west, southwest and southeast made their submissions in rapid succession. Numerous roads told the board that unless they had relief, they would soon be on the rocks, several smaller roads rating deficits at present.

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**TRADE TRIP PLANS
BEING PERFECTED**

Committees have been appointed to make arrangements for the merchants trade trip which will be made to Texico-Farwell, Pleasant Hill, Holene, Bellview, Grady and Claud on Tuesday, May 10th. Much good will be derived from this trip and it is expected that most every merchant will have a car in the excursion.

**FARMERS WILL CARRY
DEMANDS TO PRESIDENT.**

Washington, April 20.—Farmers from all parts of the United States meeting here today under the auspices of the National Farmers Union, decided to take their fight for a reduction in freight rates direct to President Harding.

This decision was reached after spokesmen for the farmers had conferred with members of the interstate commerce commission to urge lower rates.

The delegates apparently were dissatisfied with the outcome of this conference.

Officials of the farmers' union said President Harding probably would be asked to call a conference of shippers, labor, federal rail agencies, steel and other interests which furnish the railroads supplies and bankers to discuss a voluntary readjustment so as to restore commerce to its accustomed channel and give an impetus to business and agriculture.

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DENSITY OF POPULATION

The total land area of New Mexico is 122,503 square miles. The average number of inhabitants to the square mile in 1920 was 2.9 as against 2.7 in 1910 and 1.6 in 1900. There is plenty of room for new settlers in the Sunshine State.

**NEW INSURANCE
COMPANY ORGANIZED**

The Southwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, with principal offices at Clovis, has recently been organized, with the following officers: A. L. Phillips, President. S. J. Boykin, Vice President. F. K. Mason, Vice President. H. N. Hill, Vice President. A. W. Skarda, Treasurer. E. L. McCauley, Secretary. Dr. H. A. Miller, Medical Examiner. Judge R. E. Rowells, Legal Advisor.

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**GULF WELL NEAR
AMARILLO TO BE PUMPED**

Amarillo Texas, April 20.—Drillers at the Gulf No. 2 are marking time pending the arrival of pumping material which has been expected the past two days. Report from the well Wednesday night states material is expected today and that it will be a very short time until the well is under the pump.

Owners generally display a tenacity in holding on, and acreage dealers claim, are rather stiff in their prices. Some deals are made every day, however, but none involving a large block of acreage are reported for the week.

CHIC REDINGOTE DRESS

The redingote and the sash—both features in the spring styles, and themselves in favor with the dignified and graceful frock for afternoon, which is shown above. It has an accordion-plaited underslip of satin and an overdress in redingote style, which may be either satin or wool.

The fable of the tortoise and the hare teaches us that perseverance usually gets the gate receipts.

Specials this Week

AT

The American 5c to \$5 Store

When We say Specials We Mean Real Values

If you haven't visited our store, don't fail to drop in there next time you are in town. Thousands of articles that you need are awaiting you at the lowest possible price.

Our Specials for this Week

4-qt. Aluminum preserving Kettle, heavy grade, with handle and lid, this week.

95c each

White Curtain Scrim, 36 in. wide, special value at

15c yd

Nippon China Cups and Saucers, \$2.00 grade Saturday only

95c set

Plain White Cups and Saucers—Plates to match. This week \$1.49 Set

AMERICAN

5c to 5\$ Stores

Books all Popular Copyrights This week 95c each

Continuation of Our Big Cash Raising Sale

This Big Event in Ladies' Ready-To-Wear, which we started last week, has met with the approval of so many hundred women who recognize Real Values, that we have decided to extend

THIS BIG SALE ONE MORE WEEK

This is a wonderful opportunity for the wise buyers.

Spring brides and women planning summer trips should especially take advantage of this Big Sale.

Nothing Reserved Nothing Held Back

In our big stock of High Grade, New Spring Coats, Suits, Dresses, Waists, Blouses, Petticoats, Hose, Novelties and Notions, in fact, on every article the PRICE has been SLAUGHTERED and forgotten. Our large stock is being sacrificed because we have to have cash to pay our bills now due.

DON'T WAIT DON'T PUT IT OFF BUT COME IN TODAY

BEFORE OUR LINES BECOME BROKEN

Big Specials on Saturday, April 23rd and on Closing Day of Sale, Saturday, April 30

BUY HERE AND SAVE

Ladies' Toggery

MRS. E. C. GRISAMORE, Prop.

FORECASTING SPRING

This lovely frock of gray crepe-de-chine may be taken as a criterion of the spring styles for afternoon wear. It fulfills all the requirements of the mode, beginning with the most important, and that is simplicity. It has a slip-over bodice, fastening on the shoulder, a long tunic laid in plaits and a plain underskirt. Between the high and the low waistline it chooses the latter and makes a compromise between long and short sleeves with the three-quarter length, flaring style. Spring is written in all its details but emphasized in the eyelid embroidery and silk disks that make up its decorations. The odd opening at the front, which distinguishes this dress, revealing a little button-trimmed vestee of lace, is a feature of the new styles. Often it glimpses a bright color.

A man finds it easy enough to get along after he once gets started down hill.

Lucky Tiger
The Nation's Male and Scalp Remedy
Endorsed by Hospitals and Trusts
Positively eradicates dandruff—corrects excessive scalp—stops falling hair—promotes luxuriant growth—relieves itching, itching, itching—action immediate and certain. Money-Back Guarantee.
At drugists and barbers, or send 25c for generous sample.
LUCKY TIGER CO., Kansas City, Mo.

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NEW MEXICO HISTORY

Teachers of this county may be interested in a movement the State Normal at Silver City has started for the collection and filing of the "Recollections" of the "old settlers" of the state. The Normal has just published and is sending out a bulletin on "State and Local History in New Mexico." Any teacher who has not received a copy of the bulletin is invited by the Normal to send for one, which will be mailed free on request. Its contents will appeal to every teacher, of whatever grade, who is interested in the making of a more

teaching vital and interesting to her pupils. Address an envelope to the "Service Bureau, New Mexico State Normal, Silver City," and enclose in it your name and address and a request that the "Bulletin on New Mexico History" be sent you.

GOING TO SUNDAY SCHOOL?

If you have not made your plans to go elsewhere, come and help us reach the 600 mark at the Baptist church. It will be inspiring for you to visit this wide-awake school.

The B. Y. F. U. will render a very fine missionary program at 6:25 p. m. You will enjoy hearing them.

Preaching services at 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Come.
C. W. Stinaph, Pastor.



"The Idol Dancer," the production which nearly cost D. W. Griffith and his company their lives, is a masterful blending of love, drama and comedy as only Griffith knows how to blend them, with a mysterious dancing beauty, who is the quest of white men derelicts in the South Seas, as the heroine, will be presented at the Lyceum Theatre Saturday night.

In a beautiful South Sea setting Griffith, the genius, unfolds a dramatic love conflict fanned by a mysterious dancing beauty to a blazing heat between a Puritan youth awaiting the White Plague's toll and the magnificently reckless gin-loving young beachcomber. Then the Blackbird, exploiter of native labor, finds her shrine and breaks the fetters of longing for the Puritan and awakens the gin-sot derelict to manhood. A production of master touches, abundant in comedy to contrast the Island love fervor. Be sure and see this master production at the Lyceum Saturday night.